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SUBJ: DUTY-FREE PRIVILEGES AND TAX LIABILITIES OF FOREIGN SERVICE
NON-DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL

REF: STATE 183999

DIFFERENCES, EFFORTS TO EQUALIZE, AND IMPACT ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1. DUTY-FREE IMPORTATION: NON-DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL HAVE DUTY-FREE IMPORTATION PRIVILEGES ONLY FOR THEIR FIRST YEAR IN THE COUNTRY. IN REALITY, HOWEVER, THE DIFFERENCES ARE MINIMAL. ALMOST ALL DUTY-FREE IMPORTATION, APART FROM INITIAL IMPORTATION OF CARS AND PERSONAL EFFECTS, IS IN THE FORM OF GROUP COMMISSARY AND FOOD ORDERS, IMPORTED UNDER THE NAME OF THE CHIEF OF MISSION, AND HENCE DUTY-FREE FOR ALL.

2. TAX-FREE CIGARETTES: NON-DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL DO NOT HAVE TAX-FREE PRIVILEGES ON CIGARETTES FROM THE GOVERNMENT TOBACCO COMPANY. SINCE THE MONTHLY RATIONS FOR DIPLOMATS ARE MORE THAN ADEQUATE, STAFF REQUESTS CAN BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ORDER FOR DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL.

3. TAX-FREE GASOLINE: NON-DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL ARE NOT ENTITLED TO TAX-FREE GASOLINE. HOWEVER, THE FINANCIAL IMPACT IS NOT GREAT SINCE GASOLINE IS STILL VERY CHEAP
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IN OIL-RICH LIBYA.

4. TRAVEL BY POV TO TUNISIA: DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL MUST OBTAIN FOREIGN MINISTRY APPROVAL TO DRIVE THEIR CARS OUT OF THE COUNTRY ON VACATION TRIPS. STAFF PERSONNEL, WHILE NOT NEEDING SUCH APPROVAL, MUST OBTAIN CERTAIN DOCUMENTATION FROM THE TRIPOLI AUTOMOBILE CLUB. IN

THEORY THEY MUST POST A BOND FOR THE VALUE OF THE CAR,
BUT THAT REQUIREMENT IS GENERALLY WIAVED UPON
PRESENTATION OF AN EMBASSY LETTER. HOWEVER, THEY MUST
PAY FIVE LIBYAN DINARS (\$17) FOR THE REQUIRED CAR BOOK.
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